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SUBJECT: LABOR: AFL-CIO POLEMIC WITH ORIT

REF: CARACAS 8812 (NOTAL)

1. VICTOR PALACIOS, INTERNATIONAL PETROLEUM AND CHEMICAL WORKERS (IFPCW) REPRESENTATIVE IN ECUADOR AND ASSISTANT TO IFPCW PRESIDENT LUIS TOVAR, WILL ACCOMPANY TOVAR TO MAIMI OCTOBER 13. PALACIOS, A VENEZUELAN CITIZEN, HAS TAKEN OCCASION TO REAFFIRM TO LABOR ATTACHE THE SUPPORT OF THE LEADERSHIP OF VENEZUELAN CONFEDERATION OF WORKERS (CTV) FOR AFL-CIO POSITION IN DISPUTE WITH JAUREGUI OF ORIT. PALACIOS ADDED AS AFTERTHOUGHT THAT HE MIGHT WELL BE CTV CANDIDATE TO REPLACE JAUREGUI. SUGGESTED THAT HIS NOMINATION MIGHT ARISE AFTER LEADING CANDIDATES FROM OTHER COUNTRIES REACHED DEADLOCK. PALACIOS SAID ANOTHER VENEZUELAN POSSIBILITY, MANUEL PENALVER, WOULD NOT ACCEPT UNLESS ORIT HEADQUARTERS MOVED TO CARACAS.

2. PALACIOS STATES TOVAR WILL MEET IN MIAMI WITH LEVINSON OF INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION CHEMICAL WORKERS IN ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE JURISDICTIONAL DIFFERENCES AND DISCUSS POSSIBLE MERGER. PALACIOS DISCOUNTS POSSIBILITY OF AGREEMENT UNLESS LEVINSON WILLING TO MAKE UNEXPECTEDLY LARGE CONCESSIONS.

3. COMMENT: WHILE PALACIOS WOULD LEAP AT OPPORTUNITY TO REPLACE JAUREGUI HE IS REALISTIC ENOUGH TO REALIZE HIS CHANCES ARE
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SLIGHT. CONSEQUENTLY HE IS MORE IMMEDIATELY INTERESTED IN MOVING

UP WITHIN IFPCW.
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